

[54] **TAPE APPLICATOR**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A tape applicator and mastic dispenser for dry wall taping comprising a holder for a replaceable cartridge, means for forcing mastic material from said cartridge through a discharge outlet onto a tape, tape advancing means for feeding a tape from a supply roll beneath the discharge outlet, a roll for applying a mastic coated segment of tape onto a wall joint and means connecting the roll to the tape advancing means for positioning the roll in retracted or tape supporting position by actuation of the tape advancing means, whereby the pressure roll is retracted as tape is advanced beneath the discharge outlet and selectively positionable in front of the dispenser for supporting and applying mastic coated tape to a wall joint.

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